

Tuesday, September 11, 2018 REGULAR MEETING - SECOND TUESDAY - WORK SESSION

RALEIGH CITY COUNCIL MEETING 4:00 PM ROOM 201 CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 222 WEST HARGETT STREET RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

Nancy McFarlane, Mayor
Corey D. Branch, Mayor Pro Tem
David N. Cox
Kay Crowder
Stef Mendell
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A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY THE MAYOR

Subject 1. Hospitality Tax Update – Request For Information Update - Wake County

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Category A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY THE MAYOR

Type Information

Allison Bradsher, Finance

As shared in the *City Manager's Weekly Report*, Issue 2018-33 (August 31), the 20th amendment to the interlocal agreement which governs the use of hospitality tax revenue identifies that Wake County and the City should jointly conduct a review of the financing plan and capital maintenance plans for the Convention Center and PNC Arena through a public process, including all appropriate parties, no later than January 1, 2020.

Wake County and the City are responsible for the oversight and approval of the tax revenue. Wake County will begin a Request For Information (RFI) process to collect information on planned or potential projects that may request use of interlocal funds, should funding be available.

Finance department staff along with Denise Foreman, Assistant County Manager, will review with Council the tax history, the proposed RFI process as well as anticipated timelines.

File Attachments

20180911FINInterlocalRevenue.pdf (706 KB)

Subject 2. Senate Bill 296 - School Reimbursement for Required Transportation Improvements

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Type Discussion, Information

Michael Moore, Transportation Kenneth Ritchie, Development Services

With an interlocal agreement reached between Wake County and the City in 2017, all permitting and inspections for vertical building construction associated with Wake County Public School Facilities was designated to the Wake County Inspections Department. Site review and permitting responsibility remained with the City of Raleigh, and is subject to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) in the same manner as all development projects within the City jurisdiction. UDO requirements for traffic impacts including capacity improvement, traffic signal improvements, new turn lanes, etc., resulting from new or renovation school construction remain under the jurisdiction of the City.

In 2017 and as amended in July 2018, the North Carolina General Assembly enacted Senate Bill 296, "Road Improvements Adjacent to Schools", which is legislation exempting all schools- public, private, or charter- from fiscal responsibility for any municipal roadway improvement required by a municipality or the NC Department of Transportation (NCDOT). The statute also requires municipalities to reimburse schools for any right-of-way improvements required by the jurisdiction, including curb and gutter. NCDOT is responsible for reimbursing for the cost of improvements required when construction occurs on State-system streets. The statute was made effective for all schools opened or expanded after August 1, 2017, making those schools eligible for reimbursement for UDO-required municipal roadway improvements.

During the work session staff will present an overview of the legislation and review with Council considerations for the City regarding school construction; the review will include two brief case studies.

Subject 3. Smart Cities Update

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Type

Darnell Smith, Information Technology

The Information Technology department retained the services of IDC, a research firm with expertise in Smart Cities strategy, to assist in crafting a Raleigh Smart City strategy. Following several rounds of in-person interviews with management and departmental leadership, a City employee survey, input from the Raleigh Citizen Advisory Council, as well as input from the local business and academic communities, a draft strategy has been crafted.

The strategy sets the stage for furthering Raleigh as a Smart City by benchmarking current progress and programs, evaluating current technology adoption in both City government and the region as a whole, and envisions a future structure for adopting a "system of systems" which enables the City and citizens to leverage technology for the good of all.

During the work session staff will review with Council the strategy and various aspects of the Smart City designation.